We have seen
his star in the east
and have come
with gifts to
adore the Lord.
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Saint Brigid and Our Lady of the Assumption Parishes
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THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY
SAINT BRIGID ✝ OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Parish Office

59 Main Street, Millbury, MA 01527
Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
(508) 865-6624 • **Fax:** (508) 865-3101
www.stbrigidparish.org

Assumption Parish Phone: (508) 865-2657
www.assumptionmillbury.org

Assumption School

17 Grove St.
Millbury, MA 01527
(508)865-5404
WWW.ASSUMPTIONSCHOOLMILLBURY.ORG
Julie Olson
Principal

St. Vincent de Paul Society Outreach

774-262-5506

Mass Times

St. Brigid Church
59 Main Street
Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Assumption Church
10 Waters Street
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekday Mass Times

All at Assumption Church
Monday & Thursday
9:00AM

Tuesday & Wednesday
7:00AM

Knights of Columbus

Bishop Bernard J. Flanagan, Council 12710
Email: council12710.kofc@gmail.com

Parish Staff

Clergy

Rev. Daniel R. Mulcahy, Jr.
Pastor

Rev. Mr. Ronald B. Buron
Deacon
Facilities
Safe Environment

Administration

Eloise Colasanto-Saia
Secretary

Ronald Marlborough
Buildings and Grounds

Pastoral Associates

Sister Jeanne Richard, S.A.S.V.
Pastoral Care Ministry Emerita

Gregory Bernard
Adolescent & Young Adult Faith Formation
Youth Ministry
Communications

Deborah R. Blicharz
Children's Faith Formation
Community Life and Outreach

Claudette Belair
Music Ministry

Sacraments

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated each month. To prepare for your child's Baptism, parents will attend a preparational session. For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish office.

Penance and Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM
or anytime upon request.

Marriage

Please call the parish office at least one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the office when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought to shut-ins upon request.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Sat,, Jan. 1

4:00 PM **Stella Weldon**
In Honor of Her 97th Birthday
By: The Family

Sun., Jan. 2

7:00 AM **Steven T. Waugh**
By: The Bonner Family

9:00 AM **Connor Francis Tronerud**
By: Mary Sprino

11:00 AM **Maureen Stacy**
By: Her Husband

Mon., Jan 3

9:00 AM No Intention

Tue., Jan. 4

7:00 AM **Edward F. Wall, Birthday Remembrance**
By: Julia Wall

The People of
The Catholic Parishes of Millbury

Wed., Jan. 5

7:00AM **Rev. Daniel R. Mulcahy, Jr.**
In Honor of His Birthday
By: A Friend

Thu., Jan. 6

9:00 AM **Gloria Millette**
By: Robert Millette

Sat,, Jan. 8

4:00 PM **William Estabrook**
By: Mike and Dolores Mazzone

Sun., Jan. 9

7:00 AM **Shirley LaCoy, 15th Anniversary**
By: Her Daughter, Elizabeth Mazeika

9:00 AM **John I. Riedle**
By: His Daughter, Deborah Riedle Blicharz

11:00 AM **Emily Mahan, Harry Gilmond, and James Gilmond**
By: Kandy Gilmond

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY ~ JANUARY 1
NO EVENTS

SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 2
SVDP FOOD DRIVE @ SBH 12:15 PM
SLAA @ SBH 7:30 PM

MONDAY ~ JANUARY 3
ADORATION/NOVENA @ SBC 6:00-7:00 PM
AA @ SBH 7:00 PM
GA @ OLAH 8:00 PM

TUESDAY ~ JANUARY 4
HOLY HOUR/CONFESSION @ SBC 6:00-7:00 PM
OA @ SBH 6:30-8:00 PM

WEDNESDAY ~ JANUARY 5
PRAYER SHAWL @ SBH 7:00 PM

THURSDAY ~ JANUARY 6
GIRLS SCOUTS @ SBH 6:00 PM
ROSARY @ CPO 6:00 PM

FRIDAY ~ JANUARY 7
NO EVENTS

SATURDAY ~ JANUARY 8
NO EVENTS

SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 9
SLAA @ SBH 7:30 PM

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2022

EPIPHANY SUNDAY Jan 2, 2022	***Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord*** Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13/Eph 3:2-3,5-6/ Mt 2:1-12
MONDAY Jan 3	*The Most Holy Name of Jesus* 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8,10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
TUESDAY Jan 4	*Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious* 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
WEDNESDAY Jan 5	*Saint John Neumann, Bishop* 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 /Mk 6:45-52
THURSDAY Jan 6	*Saint Andre Bessette, Religious* 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2,14and15bc,17/Lk 4:14-22a
FRIDAY Jan 7	*Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest* 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 /Lk 5:12-16
SATURDAY Jan 8	1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2,3-4,5-6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30
BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY Jan 9	***Feast of the Baptism of the Lord*** Is 42:1-4,6-7 or Is 40:1-5,9-11/Ps 29:1-2,3ac+4, 3b+ 9b-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30/Acts 10:34-38 or Titus 2:11-14;3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16,21-22

In Loving Memory

John & Julia Anger
Oscar & Marcy Anger
Lee Aubin
Larry F. Army
Gregory Barlay
Albina Bartkus
Edward Bartkus
Ann Beesley
Arthur G. Boucher
Sylvio E. Bourdeau
Casey Bulger
Joseph & Rose Cataldo
Frank Cammuso
Philip Chabot, Sr.
Joseph Coggans
Rita Cogliandro
Albert and Helen Collette
Pat and Tiff Correia
Donna "Gain" Cournoyer
Karen A. Courville
Roland O. Couture
Arthur "Archie" Cronin
Gerald & Peggy Croteau
George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.
George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.
Kathleen M. DeCillis
Raymond DeRouin
Armand Desorcy

Diane Dion
Joseph Dunn
Timothy P. Eckland
Jonathan Favreau
Gabrielle G. Gaboriault
Joe & Jean Gagliardi
William Gain, Jr.
Bernice Gaudere
Reggie Gauthier
Stephen W. Gedman
Rev. John F. Gee
Richard "Dick" Gendron
Edward & Frances Genis
Ruth Gonsorcik
John & Irene Guyan
Robert James (Sam) Guyan
Conrad Hagstrom
Betty Hamilton
Derek Hamilton
Thomas & Patricia Hamilton
Robert J. Hamilton
Matthew Hartline
Everett & Pauline Hennessey
John & Shirley Huchowski
Paul J. & Ann V. Jandron
Joanne Juskavitch
Sherri Kalil
Joseph V. Kane

Richard Kroll
Michael P. Krumsiek
Helen R. LaCrosse
Robert P. LaCrosse, Sr.
Lillian Langevin
Tan Le
Noe R. LeBeau, Sr.
Edward L. Lemoine
Kevin Lemoine
Rita Lemoine
Mark Lizotte
William and Irene Louis
Joseph Matthews
Margaret Matthews
Kenneth Michalak
Pauline Montigny
Lorraine Mooney
Elsie Moquin
Mary B. Mrozinski
Ann Mulcahy
Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.
Albert Nikosey
Evelyn Noonan
Joseph Noonan
Rosemary Norton
John P. & Bridget O'Malley
Virginia Richnick
Arlene Riedle

Stephen Rodwill
Chester & Elaine Roy
Darlene Russell
Dorothy Russell
Marshall Russell
Michael W. Russell
William Russell
Maria Sabourin
Bob & Rita Shea
Gino Silveri
Lucien Sirard
Maureen L. Stacy
C. Richard Stockhaus
James Tabor
Neal R. Thomas
Connor Tronerud
Chester Urban
Robert E. Vaillancourt
Nancy Vaillancourt
Lucille Vecchione
William T. Walsh
Paula Ward
Margaret Wendt
Camille White
Dolores White
Ronald Woodward
Frank J. Yaz

May they Rest in Peace

Would you like to remember a loved one in our Remembrance section? The cost of enrollment will be a $50 donation for the year. Please contact the office (508) 865-6624 to enroll your loved one(s).

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

By Fr. Larry Rice

"All of creation is changed by the appearance of Christ."

In popular tradition, the feast of Epiphany commemorates the arrival of the three kings at the stable in Bethlehem where Christ was born. The gospel reading for the day—Matthew 2:1-12—tells the story. Over the years, a lot of tradition has grown around this story. Many people will tell you that the magi were three kings, named Caspar, Balthazar, and Melchior, and they may note that Caspar is traditionally depicted with darker skin. But if you read those twelve short verses from Matthew's Gospel, it becomes clear that we really know very little about the magi. We don't know their names. We don't know where they came from—Matthew only says "from the east." We don't even know that they were kings. The word used by Matthew is "magi," meaning someone learned in esoteric knowledge. Some translations call them "astrologers," but the only basis for that is the statement that they were following a star. And even the star itself is a mystery. Astronomers can chart the movement of the stars back in time, but they can't seem to agree about the existence of an astronomical event that would explain the reference. And even the most casual observer would have a hard time explaining what it would mean for a star to move through the sky and then stop over a particular place. Regardless of who the magi were and how the star showed them the way, the most significant part of this event is the identity of the one who is made know—Jesus, the newborn king, who is worthy of homage by all men and women. The meaning of the epiphany that occurs in this gospel passage is that the "the newborn king of the Jews" is revealed to and recognized by people from far and distant lands. The appearance of mystical signs in the sky makes the point that all of creation is changed by the appearance of Christ. Because God has chosen to become human, all creation and all the people of the earth can experience the redemption he has come to bring.

Fr. Rice is Vocations Director for the Paulist Fathers.

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Diocese of Worcester
Office of the Bishop
49 Elm Street
Worcester, Massachusetts 01609

Christmas 2021

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Each year the celebration of Christmas resounds with the glad tidings of great joy that brought awe, wonder and peace to the shepherds at Bethlehem. Each of us has treasured family traditions that surround and support our celebration of Christ's birth - a family gathering after Mass, delivering dinners, trimming trees, displaying crèches, exchanging gifts or visiting friends.

For many months, COVID precautions have disrupted, curtailed or postponed the traditions and practices of everyday life. We long for a return to normalcy. As we edge closer to normalcy, reports of COVID variants, breakthrough infections and rising hospitalizations can give us the jitters and make us skittish.

But even as we heed prudent precautions, that skittishness and those jitters should not shake us. We should not be shaken because the essence of Christmas, the source of our joy and the cause of our awe, wonder and peace remain the same - God so loved the world that He sent His Son to take on human flesh, to become one of us so that we might become children of God and share forever in His love. Because of that, no virus, no variant, not even death itself will keep the faithful from sharing the joy of God's love both here amidst earth's uncertainties or forever in Heaven where no threat, shadow or separation will vex us.

While the essence of Christmas remains the same, its message never becomes static or grows stale. When our prayer life deepens, our sacramental life is sustained, our holiness grows and we gain an ever more profound awareness of God's closeness to us and His love for us. That realization is grace, God Himself with us, Emmanuel dwelling in our souls. That grace frees us from fear, allows us to persevere with prudence and fills us with confidence and peace to face and overcome every challenge.

In the new year may our weekly communal worship at Mass continue to inspire us with the Word of God and nourish us in the Eucharist that we may grow ever more confident in our conviction and joy that the Savior born to us at Bethlehem remains with us now and forever.

With every prayerful best wish for a Blessed and Merry Christmas, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Robert J. McManus

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

FAITH FORMATION

We wish all our families a joyful and safe Christmas Season and Happy New Year!
Faith Formation sessions resume January 9, 2022!

Next Classes

Grade 1	January 9
Grade 2	January 23
Grades 3 & 4	January 9
Grades 5 & 6	January 10
Grades 7 & 8	January 9
Grades 9 & 10	January 23

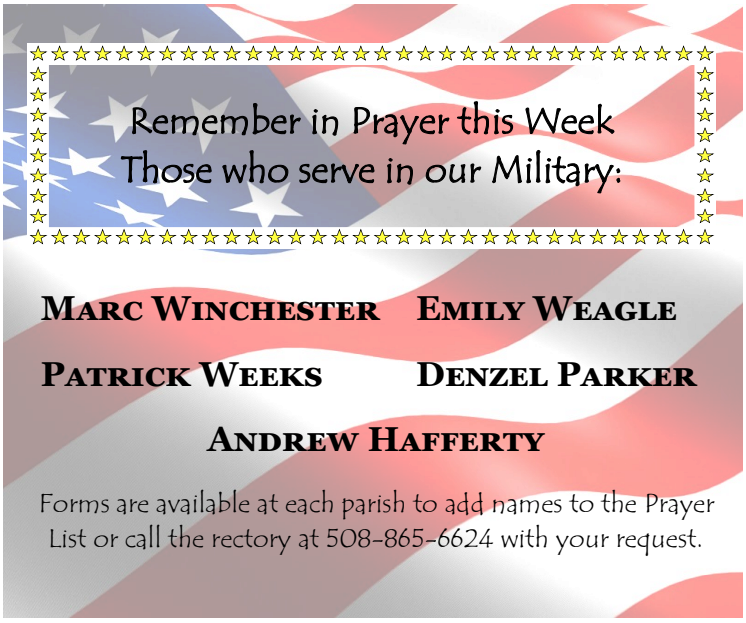
In the charity of your prayers, please remember the souls of

Frank P. Giacopello

John I. Riedle

Ann Marie Yaz

who have gone home to God. May they rest in Christ's eternal light and peace.



MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Prayer Line: 508-865-6853 or 508-756-9854

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, call one of the confidential prayer lines listed above.

BECAUSE YOU ARE FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST, WHO APPEARED ON THIS DAY AS A LIGHT SHINING IN DARKNESS, MAY HE MAKE YOU A LIGHT TO ALL YOUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS.

Solemn blessing | Roman rite

FINANCIALS

Our Lady of the Assumption
Income
December 11-12, 2021

Regular Weekly Collection	**$1,569.00**
Ordinary Collection Monthly	$1,720.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	**$3,289.00**
Other Parish Income:	
Capital Improvement	$50.00
Special Ministry	$10.00
Utilities	$235.00
Christmas Flowers	$257.00
Christmas Special Offering	$55.00
Immaculate Conception	$265.00
Candles	$100.00
Christmas	$80.00
Catholic Free Press	$39.00
Retirement for Religious	$44.00
Other	$228.00
Total Other Income	**$1,363.00**
Total Income	**$4,652.00**

Our Lady of the Assumption
Cash Flow
December 15, 2021

Mike Lynch Ent. *(Snow Removal*	$625.00
Reliable Plumbing (*Maintenance)*	$273.00
St. Brigid Parish *(Monthly Reimb.)*	$2,992.28
Total monies paid	**$3,890.28**

St. Brigid
Income
December 11-12, 2021

Regular Weekly Collection	**$4,636.00**
Ordinary Collection Monthly	$480.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	**$5,116.00**
Other Parish Income:	
Capital Improvement	$497.00
Specialty Ministries	$5.00
Candles	$124.00
Utilities	$98.00
Christmas Flowers	$467.00
Grand Annual	$130.00
Christmas Special Offering	$630.00
Christmas	$60.00
Misc.	$55.00
Total Other Income	**$2,066.00**
Total Income	**$7,182.00**

St. Brigid
Cash Flow
December 15, 2021

Payroll *(12/11/21)*	$4,574.45
PayChex, Inc. *(Payroll Processing Fees)*	$77.80
Payroll Taxes	$2,032.90
KMBIT *(Software Update)*	$291.25
Wheelabrator *(Trash)*	$132.00
Verizon *(Phone)*	$89.05
WB Mason *(Office)*	$43.88
Total monies paid	**$7,241.33**

Saint John Neumann

1811-1860
FEAST DAY — JANUARY 5

A native of Bohemia, John entered the seminary and was nearing ordination when he departed for the United States. He joined the Redemptorists and served as a priest in New York, Maryland and Pennsylvania. In 1852 he was named the fourth bishop of Philadelphia. He founded more than 50 churches and greatly expanded Catholic education. John had a fondness for immigrants and knew six languages. His pastoral zeal was evident up to his last moments of life. He collapsed and died in the street at age 48.

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Candles

January 1-7, 2022

Assumption Church

Saint Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of

Gary Cashman

Requested by: His Sister

Blessed Virgin Mary Candle

In Loving Memory of

Myra Cashman

Requested by: Her Family

Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of

Connor Francis Tronerud

Requested by: His Parents, Jason and Teresa and Brother, Kyle

Mass Intentions

The Mass books for Assumption and St. Brigid parishes each have MANY openings for Mass Intentions and candles. Weekend and weekday Masses are available. Please contact Eloise at the parish offices Mon-Thu 8:30-3:00PM to request your Mass Intentions. 508-865-6624

PRAY THE ROSARY

Every Thursday evening at 6:00 PM at the parish offices.

Led by Deacon Ron

All are welcome!

Ministries

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Catholic Parishes of Millbury

Phone: 774-262-5506

Monthly Meetings

Third Sunday - 10:00 AM
St. Brigid Hall

New Members Welcome!

Parish Food Collection

Monthly: First Weekend
Food Bins are located in the Main Entrance of the Church

All food donations must be dropped off on food drive dates and placed in the large blue bins only, no exceptions.
NO Perishables, NO Cleanouts.

Food Distribution

Monthly: First Weekend - 12:15 PM
St. Brigid Church Hall

Please No Perishable, Expired Dates, or Pet Food.

Knights of Columbus

Bishop Bernard J. Flanagan Council 12710
Website: www.koc12710.orgEmail:
council12710.kofc@gmail.com

Monthly meetings:
Business (members only) First Wednesday-7pm
@ St.Mark's Church Hall.
Social (all invited) Third Wednesday-7pm
@ St.Brigid Church Hall.
We welcome new members, and now you can join online by visiting KofC.org/joinus

Current Events

Alleluia! Alleluia!
"We saw the star at its rising and have come to do Him homage" Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let us follow in the foot step of the Wise Men and continue paying Him homage now and throughout the coming year. Alleluia! Alleluia!
The Knights of Council 12710 would like to wish you all a Very Happy, Healthy and Blessed New Year!

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

SENIOR CENTER EXERCISE CLASSES!!

LIGHT EXERCISE CLASSES
Mondays and Fridays 9:30 A.M.–10:15 A.M. (Free!)

TAI CHI
Tuesdays 9:30 - 10:30 A.M. (class is $3)

YOGA - All new starting Dec. 16th!
Thursdays 9 – 10 A.M. (Class is $3)

Wii BOWLING
Mondays at 12:30 P.M.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC
Every Tuesday from 9 A.M. - 10 A.M.

MAHJONG
Mondays at 12:45 P.M.

WALKING CLUB
Tuesdays at 8:30 A.M.

SOCIAL BINGO
Wednesdays at 1:00 P.M.
Bring your pennies!

DULL MEN'S CLUB
Thursdays 10:00 - 11:00 A.M.

VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

Tuesday, Feb 8th at 11 – 1 P.M.
Games and prizes!! *Lunch will be served.*
Chicken Fajitas with Spanish rice, black beans & corn
Pineapple, sour cream pita bread
Call the center to RSVP by February 1st
508-865-9154

Friendly Visitor Program
Our Friendly Visitor Program is now being provided by telephone. Volunteers call clients to check in with them, chat and hear a friendly voice!

MEMORY CAFÉ
Our next Memory Café will be held on, Tuesday, December 21 at 2 P.M. We will be having Matt Brodeur, acoustic guitarist, entertaining in the garden. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come and enjoy an afternoon of socialization, refreshments and friendships.

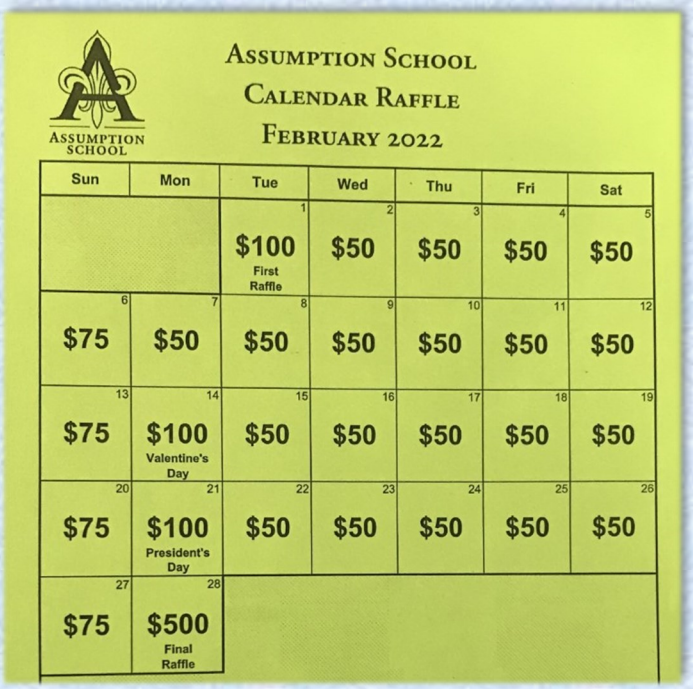
LUNCH
Lunches are served Monday through Friday 12 P.M. at the Senior Center. The menu is available on the town website, www.townofmillbury.org

COVID-19 BOOSTER APPOINTMENT ASSISTANCE
We will assist Millbury Senior residents
If you do not have access to a computer and need help scheduling an appointment for the Booster
Please call the center at 508-865-9154

FRAUD PREVENTION CLASS
Thursday, Jan. 6th at 1 P.M.
Officer Piscitelli will be presenting
Learn about different Scams that target seniors!
Please call the center if interested in attending
508-865-9154

Assumption School
Millbury, MA
A legacy of learning...a history with heart

Assumption School Calendar Raffle



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 $100 First Raffle	2 $50	3 $50	4 $50	5 $50
6 $75	7 $50	8 $50	9 $50	10 $50	11 $50	12 $50
13 $75	14 $100 Valentine's Day	15 $50	16 $50	17 $50	18 $50	19 $50
20 $75	21 $100 President's Day	22 $50	23 $50	24 $50	25 $50	26 $50
27 $75	28 $500 Final Raffle					

Calendar Raffle tickets are on sale until January 31st. They are $10.00 each and you have 28 chances to win! A total of $2,100 will be given as prizes during the month of February 2022. If you are a winner, your ticket will be put back into the raffle for the remainder of the month. You have the chance to win more than once! Tickets can be purchased at Assumption School's Office, 17 Grove Street, Millbury, or you may call the office at 508-865-5404. Cash or checks are accepted. Checks should be made payable to "Assumption School PTG".

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious, or lay person working for the Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, call Judith Audette at the Office for Healing and Prevention, (508) 929-4363.
A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.